

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5788  
AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE  
INFO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA  
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LONDON ALSO FOR IWC DELEGATION

EO 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SENV, EFIS, IWC-1  
SUBJ: BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING 30TH ANNUAL  
- IWC, 26-30 JUNE 1978, LONDON

REF: STATE 155504

1. ALL POINTS CONTAINED IN REFTEL MADE TO GNZ OFFICIALS  
AS INSTRUCTED.

2. SIGNIFICANT INSTRUCTIONS TO NZ IWC DELEGATION ARE  
AS FOLLOWS:

- A) BOWHEADS -- IN THE EVENT SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE  
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SHOULD RECOMMEND A BOWHEAD QUOTA FOR ABORIGINAL WHALING,  
NZ DELEGATION WILL SUPPORT IT. SHOULD SCIENTIFIC  
COMMITTEE RECOMMEND AGAINST ANY QUOTA, GNZ DELEGATION  
IS INSTRUCTED TO ABSTAIN.

- B) TEN-YEAR MORATORIUM ON COMMERCIAL WHALING --  
NZ DELEGATION HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO

ABSTAIN ON MORATORIUM ISSUE.

- C) RENEGOTIATION OF IWC CONVENTION -- NZ

DELEGATE TO COPENHAGEN MEETING WILL BE TIM CAUGHLEY,  
LEGAL ADVISOR, LONDON HIGH COMMISSION. CAUGHLEY WILL  
BE INSTRUCTED THAT THE GNZ WILL NOT BE A PARTY TO ANY  
"WATERING DOWN" OF STRONG CONSERVATION OPTIONS.

3. FYI: GNZ POLICY SHIFT FROM OPPOSITION TO ABORIGINAL  
WHALING QUOTAS TAKEN AT CANBERRA MEETING TO LIKELY  
ABSTENTION AT LONDON MEETING CAN BE ATTRIBUTED LARGELY  
TO STRONG PUBLIC REACTION TO ITS NEGATIVE VOTE. GNZ  
BELIEVES AN ABSTENTION THIS YEAR WILL ACHIEVE COMPRO-  
MISE BETWEEN ITS STRONG COMMITMENT TO CONSERVATION AND  
THE PUBLIC'S APPARENT SUPPORT FOR ABORIGINAL WHALING  
RIGHTS. SELDEN

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